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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR 19TH SESSION

1. GOVERNING COUNCIL JUNE 20 ADOPTED FOLLOWING PROVISIONAL
AGENDA FOR ITS 19TH SESSION:

2. (1) OPENING OF THE SESSION.

(2) ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

(3) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.

(4) COUNTRY AND INTERCOUNTRY PROGRAMMING AND PROJECTS:
CONSIDERATION, IN PRIVATE MEETINGS, AND APPROVAL BY THE
COUNCIL OF INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS RECOM-
MENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATOR.

(5) REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR ON THE STANDARD AGREEMENT
WITH GOVERNMENTS.

(6) ACTION BY UNDP IN RESPONSE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLU-
TION 3202 (S-VI) ON THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON THE ESTABLISH-
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MENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

(7) UNITED NATIONS REVOLVING FUND FOR NATURAL RESOURCES.

(8) TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

(9) REPORT BY THE ADMINISTRATOR ON ACTION TAKEN IN FAVOR OF COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLE.

(10) PROGRESS REPORT ON THE DROUGHT-STRICKEN AREA OF AFRICA AND ADJACENT AREAS.

(11) DRAFT STATUTE FOR THE PROGRAMME FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(12) UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR POPULATION ACTIVITIES.

(13) ACTION TAKEN IN 1974 BY ORGANS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND RELATED AGENCIES.

(14) PROGRAMME RESOURCES AND COSTS OUTLOOK FOR 1977-1981.

(15) BUDGETARY, FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

(A) ESTIMATES OF RESOURCES AND PROGRAMME COSTS AND RELATED PROPOSALS BY THE ADMINISTRATOR. (THIS REPORT WILL INCLUDE A REPORT BY THE ADMINISTRATOR ON NET CONTRIBUTOR STATUS.)

(B) CUSTODIANSHIP OF UNDP FUNDS.

(C) AGENCY OVERHEAD COSTS.

(D) GENERAL OUTLINE OF BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1976 AND FEASIBILITY OF INTRODUCING A BIENNIAL CYCLE FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROGRAMME SUPPORT SERVICES BUDGET.

(16) REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR ON PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION.

(17) OTHER MATTERS.

(18) DATE AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTIETH SESSION.
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(19) DRAFT REPORT OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL TO THE FIFTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL.

3. AT SUGGESTION OF PHILIPPINES, SUPPORTED BY VARIOUS DELEGATIONS, REPORT UNDER ITEM 6 WILL INCLUDE CHAPTER ON WHAT UNDP CAN DO TO PROMOTE ROLE OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO SUCCESS OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR.

4. LENGTH OF PROVISIONAL AGENDA DREW NUMEROUS EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN, BUT FEW CONCRETE PROPOSALS FOR DELETION OF ITEMS (NONE OF WHICH WERE ADOPTED). WHILE THERE WAS LITTLE SUPPORT FOR UK SUGGESTION THAT ITEM ON APPROVAL OF COUNTRY PROGRAMS BE DELETED FROM PROVISIONAL AGENDA, NETHERLANDS CITED US PRACTICE OF SUBMITTING DETAILED COMMENTS TO UNDP ADMINISTRATION IN WRITING AND SUGGESTED THAT OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS DO LIKEWISE. US DEL RECALLED COUNCIL'S DESIRE TO SHORTEN JANUARY SESSION TO ONE WEEK (RATHER THAN THREE WEEKS FORESEEN FOR 19TH SESSION) AND MADE STRONG STATEMENT TO EFFECT THAT COUNCIL'S ATTENTION TO DETAIL AND RESULTANT LENGTH OF TIME SPENT IN MEETINGS WAS DETRIMENTAL BOTH TO COUNCIL'S PROPER ROLE OF GOVERNING PROGRAM AND TO ADMINISTRATION'S ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM. US DEL ALSO SUPPORTED SUGGESTION BY COUNCIL SECRETARY THAT BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL COMMITTEE MEET WEEK IN ADVANCE OF PLENARY SESSION, POINTING OUT THAT PROGRAM DECISIONS SHOULD NOT BE MADE IN ISOLATION FROM DECISIONS ON RESOURCES.

5. DECISION CONCERNING DATE OF 19TH SESSION DELAYED UNTIL JUNE 24, WHEN COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER ITS REPORT TO 57TH ECOSOC. DATE SUGGESTED BY UNDP ADMINISTRATION (JANUARY 8-28) CONSIDERED BY MOST DELAGATIONS TO ALLOW TOO LITTLE TIME FOR PREPARATION AFTER CONCLUSION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND CONSULTATIONS WITH UN NEW YORK RE SUITABLE LATER DATE ARE REQUIRED. SULLIVAN

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